

*Citizen
Participation in
Fairfax County*



A GUIDE TO
*Boards,
Authorities
and
Commissions*

How can you get involved in your local government?

In our democracy, government is of the people, by the people and for the people. That is why citizen participation in local government is so essential. Local government is the form of government closest to us in our everyday lives, and the one we are most able to influence.

Citizen participation at the local level in Fairfax County is at an all-time high, thus making Fairfax County government a vital force in our community.

The County government provides essential services we use everyday: water for our morning shower; buses to take our children to school and the schools they attend; mass transit we take to work; after-school or day-care programs for our children; recreation centers and senior centers for our enjoyment; disposal facilities for our trash and treatment facilities for our wastewater; and police, fire and rescue personnel for our safety. These are just a few of the many interactions we have with our County government every day.

It takes a team of thousands of people to make these things happen in Fairfax County: elected officials, County employees, members of advisory bodies and other volunteers.

This brochure introduces you to the County's permanent, standing advisory bodies. These, plus other ad hoc groups appointed from time to time, play a very important role in County government.

Some of these bodies have been established by state law and their authority is defined in the Virginia Code. Others have been created by the County Board of Supervisors to help the Board in specific areas of service. Members of the advisory bodies listed in this brochure are appointed by the Board of Supervisors unless noted differently. All members must file a financial disclosure statement with the Clerk to the Board.

If you are interested in serving on a citizen board, commission or authority, contact the Office of the Clerk to the Board at 703-324-3151, TTY 703-324-3903 or your Supervisor listed in the back of this brochure.

The following list includes most of the County's advisory bodies listed in alphabetical order. Study the list and find the board, commission or authority that best suits your interest, then volunteer to work in partnership with Fairfax County government through citizen participation.

Talent Bank of Potential Appointees

To encourage citizen participation on advisory bodies, the Fairfax County Commission for Women has established a Talent Bank of potential appointees. Individuals interested in participating on an advisory board, authority or commission may obtain a Talent Bank application form from the Commission by calling 703-324-5730. They should send their completed application and resume to the Fairfax County Commission for Women, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Suite 318, Fairfax, VA 22035.

Potential candidates can receive suggestions and information about the appointment process to County advisory bodies by contacting the Office For Women, which runs the Talent Bank. The Talent Bank makes names of potential appointees available to members of the Board of Supervisors when the Supervisors are filling vacancies on the boards, authorities and commissions.

For more information, call the Office For Women at 703-324-5730; TTY 703-222-3504.



A. Heath Onthank Memorial Award Selection Committee

Membership: Ten members, including one representative of each Supervisor District and one at-large member; one-year terms. Meets once a year in spring.

Purpose: To grant recognition for outstanding accomplishments of County employees that advance and improve public service.

Affordable Dwelling Unit Advisory Board

Membership: Nine members, seven appointed at-large, including one citizen, two civil engineers/architects or planners, one residential builder (single family), one residential builder (multiple family), representatives of a lending institution and a non-profit housing group and two County staff representatives; staggered four-year terms.

Purpose: To hear and make final determinations on requests for modifications concerning the application of the Affordable Dwelling Unit Ordinance; to review and approve affordable dwelling unit prototypes to be used in setting sales prices and rents before they are established by the County Executive.

Aging, Commission on

Membership: Twelve members, including one representative from each Supervisor District, one member at-large and representatives from the cities of Fairfax and Falls Church; two-year terms.

Purpose: To advise the Board of Supervisors on policy in long-term care and aging; to identify unmet

needs and gaps in service, especially for frail elderly; to recommend services or strategies to respond to unmet needs; and to inform the Board of Supervisors of the characteristics of the older population and its impact on County resources.

Agricultural and Forestal Districts Advisory Committee

Membership: Eight citizen members, serving without terms, including four landowners actively farming, four landowners in the County and one member of the Board of Supervisors.

Purpose: To advise the Board of Supervisors and Planning Commission regarding agricultural and forestal districts and render expert advice on the desirability of establishing such districts, including advice as to the nature of farming and forestry and farm and forest resources within the proposed district, and the relationship of these activities to the entire County.

Airports Advisory Committee, Fairfax County

Membership: Nineteen members. Two members each (one representing the business community) from Hunter Mill, Sully, Mount Vernon and Dranesville Districts; one member each from Braddock, Lee, Mason, Providence and Springfield Districts; and six at-large members representing the Federation of Citizens Associations, League of Women Voters, Fairfax County Chamber of Commerce, Economic Development Authority, Planning Commission and one at-large member appointed by the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors; three-year terms.

Purpose: To review and advise on land use, transportation planning and environmental problems (over-flight noise) in relation to Dulles and National Airports.

Alcohol Safety Action Program Local Policy Board

Membership: Fourteen members, including the Commonwealth's Attorney; the Chief of Police; six at-large representatives appointed by the Board of Supervisors; and a representative from the Mothers Against Drunk Driving; Parents Association to Neutralize Drug and Alcohol Abuse; the Fairfax-Falls Church Community Services Board; the Bar Association; the City of Fairfax; and the County Executive; three-year terms.

Purpose: To oversee the operation of the Fairfax Alcohol Safety Action Program.

Animal Services Advisory Commission (*ad hoc*)

Membership: Ten members, reviewed annually for continuation, including one member from each Supervisor District and one at-large.

Purpose: To advise the Shelter Director and the Board of Supervisors on issues relating to animal health and welfare.

Architectural Review Board

Membership: Ten County residents with a demonstrated knowledge and interest in the preservation of historic buildings, structures and sites in Fairfax County, appointed by the Board of Supervisors to serve three years. By ordinance, two members must be registered architects, one a landscape architect and one a lawyer. Others must represent related professions such as archaeology, history and real estate; one non-voting member represents the County History Commission.

Purpose: To advise the Board of Supervisors in its efforts to preserve historic buildings, structures and sites

within the County. Additionally, all applications for rezoning, special exceptions, special permits, variances, sign permits or other construction permits, as well as all site plans, subdivision plats and grading plans for properties located within County Historic Overlay Districts must be submitted to the Architectural Review Board for recommendation and/or approval, as required by the Zoning Ordinance.

Athletic Council

Membership: Twenty members, including one at-large, nine representatives of Supervisor Districts and representatives of the Towns of Clifton, Herndon and Vienna; the Baseball/Softball Advisory Council; Youth Basketball Council; Youth Football League; Youth Soccer Council; women's sports; Adult Softball Council and one representing diverse populations; two-year terms.

Purpose: To advise the Board of Supervisors, the Department of Community and Recreation Services, the Park Authority and the School Board on the management, use, allocation and future planning of recreational resources.

Audit Committee

Membership: Five members, including three Board members and two citizens; two-year terms.

Purpose: To provide an independent means for determining how policies, programs and resources authorized by the Board are being deployed by management consistent with the Board's intent and in compliance with all appropriate statutes, ordinances and directives.



Board of Building Code Appeals

Membership: Six members and two alternates, including one builder and at least one professional engineer or architect, and selected representatives of different occupational or professional fields; staggered terms.

Purpose: To hear appeals under the Virginia Uniform Statewide Building Code, New Construction and Building Maintenance Code issues and the Fire Prevention Code on decisions of the County Building Official and the Fire Official.

Board of Equalization of Real Estate Assessments

Membership: Nine members, including two real estate appraisers or assessors, two attorneys, one builder (all with five years experience) and four members at-large, all to be property holders and residents of the County; staggered two-year terms.

Purpose: To increase or decrease assessments to ensure that the burden of taxation rests equally upon all citizens of the County.

Board of Zoning Appeals

Appointed by the Circuit Court

Membership: Seven members; five-year terms.

Purpose: To hear and decide appeals from any order, requirement, decision or interpretation made by the Zoning Administrator or his/her agent in the administration or enforcement of the County Zoning Ordinance; to authorize upon

application such variances from the terms of the Ordinance that are in accordance with the County Zoning Ordinance; to hear and decide applications for such special permits as are authorized by the County Zoning Ordinance.

Celebrate Fairfax, Inc.



Board of Directors

Membership: Four members appointed by the Board of Supervisors for one-year terms; remainder of 40-member Board determined by Celebrate Fairfax Board.

Purpose: To plan, organize and operate fairs, festivals and programs that strengthen the quality of life and sense of community in Fairfax County.

Character Counts! Task Force

Membership: Twenty-eight members, including one representative from each Supervisor District; one member at-large; one representative each from the Police Department or Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court, Athletic Council, Fairfax County Chamber of Commerce, Public Schools Administrative Staff, and community organizations; three additional members reflective of the County population; a representative of one of the Safe Community Coalitions; a representative from the Partnership for Youth; and a representative from the Character Counts Coalition.

Purpose: To seek opportunities to integrate character education into new and existing programs and to encourage young people and their parents to adopt and model the six pillars of trustworthiness, responsibility, caring, respect, fairness, and citizenship; to participate

and actively encourage community involvement in local and national Character Counts! public awareness programs; and to actively contribute thoughts and ideas for developing and using context and age-appropriate methods and materials for use in educational environments and the home.

Child Care Advisory Council

Membership: Ten members, including one representative from each Supervisor District, serving a two-year term, and one at-large member representing the Parent Planning Council; one-year term.

Purpose: To advise the Board of Supervisors and the Office for Children on programs and policies related to child care.

Civil Service Commission

Membership: Five members, including at least one man and one woman who are qualified voters with broad experience in management or public affairs in full agreement with the application of merit principles in public employment; four-year terms.

Purpose: To represent the public interest in improving personnel administration; to advise the Board of Supervisors, County Executive and Human Resources Director in formulation of policies; and to act as an impartial body for employee appeals.

Community Action Advisory Board

Membership: Thirty members, including 10 representatives from private organizations, nine from target group areas, one Head Start representative, one representative from each Supervisor District and one at-large member; three-year terms.

Purpose: To reduce the effects of poverty on residents of Fairfax County.

Community Criminal Justice Board

Membership: Twenty members, four appointed by the Board of Supervisors, four representing the City of Fairfax, representatives of criminal justice agencies, and a representative each from local education and the Fairfax-Falls Church Community Services Board.

Purpose: To oversee and evaluate community corrections and criminal justice programs.

Community Improvement Committee

Membership: One representative from each Supervisor District (two-year term), one at-large representative (two-year term) and one representative from each neighborhood (serves for duration of the project) participating in the Community Improvement Program.

Purpose: To advise the Board of Supervisors on matters relating to the Community Improvement Program, to review and comment on community plans, to recommend neighborhoods for participation in the program and to recommend appropriate funding for each community improvement project.

Consumer Protection Commission

Membership: Thirteen citizen members, appointed at-large by the Board of Supervisors; three-year terms.

Purpose: To advise the Board of Supervisors on consumer

affairs issues and provide periodic reports concerning legislation, to consider appeals of licensing actions of the Department of Telecommunications and Consumer Services and to recommend the allocation of Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity for taxi operators.

Countywide Non-Motorized Transportation Committee

Membership: Sixteen members, including one at-large member, one representative from each Supervisor District and one representative each from the Northern Virginia Builders Association, Federation of Citizens Associations, Fairfax County Park Authority, Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority, Washington Area Bicycle Association and the Clifton Horse Society; two-year terms.

Purpose: To provide trail policy guidance to the Board of Supervisors, review trail construction priorities, oversee the Comprehensive Trails Plan and consider other trail issues of a countywide nature.

Criminal Justice Advisory Board

Membership: Thirty-two members, including 10 citizens nominated by the Board of Supervisors, three-year terms; 22 representatives from the Criminal Justice System and from countywide organizations, all serving at the pleasure of their appointing groups.

Purpose: To analyze criminal justice problems, prepare and submit plans, implement selected projects and furnish advice and recommendations to the County Executive and, as appropriate, to the Board of Supervisors.



Disability Services Board (Fairfax Area)

Membership: Fifteen members, including one from each Supervisor District and the Cities of Fairfax and Falls Church, one member at-large, two members of the business community and one member who also has been appointed to another board from Fairfax County; three-year, staggered terms.

Purpose: To advise state agencies and local governments on service needs of persons with disabilities, recommend priorities and provide information and resource referral regarding the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Drinking and Driving, Oversight Committee on

Membership: Nineteen members, including five citizen representatives, five organization representatives, and nine government representatives; unspecified terms.

Purpose: To monitor DWI prevention activities in the State and County, including the impact of new



state legislation, and to make recommendations for changes as necessary.

Economic Development Authority

Membership: Seven citizen members appointed at-large by the Board of Supervisors; four-year staggered terms.

Purpose: To promote Fairfax County as a world center of commerce and trade; to attract new businesses and help existing businesses grow; to attract venture capital for County businesses; to help technology companies attract workers; to attract tourists to the County's historic, cultural and recreational sites; and attract meetings, conferences and conventions to the County's hotels and meeting venues.

Employer Child Care Council (*ad hoc*)

Membership: Fifteen members, including representatives from the business community, a representative of the Child Care Advisory Council and two ex-officio members representing Fairfax County Government, all confirmed by the Board of Supervisors; two-year terms.

Purpose: To promote and increase business involvement in and responsibility for child care and early childhood education.

Engineering Standards Review Committee

Membership: Twenty members, including three citizen members appointed by the Board of Supervisors; 13 representatives from citizen advocacy groups and trade and professional associations, three-year terms; also includes representatives from the Virginia Department of Transportation, the Fairfax County Department of Public Works and Environmental Services and the Department of Planning and Zoning; no stated term limits.

Purpose: To provide technical, economic, environmental and engineering advisory services to the Board

of Supervisors for the annual update of the County's Public Facilities Manual.

Environmental Quality Advisory Council (EQAC)

Membership: Fourteen members, including one member from each Supervisor District, one student and four at-large members; three-year terms.

Purpose: To advise the Board of



Supervisors regarding environmental issues of significance to the County.

Fairfax-Falls Church Community Policy and Management Team

Membership: Seventeen members, including a representative of the Fairfax-Falls Church Community Services Board; the Juvenile Court; Fairfax County Public Schools; Falls Church City Public Schools; the Health Department; the Department of Family Services; the Office for Children; the Department of Community and Recreation Services, as well as two parents, two private providers, two representatives of the culturally diverse community, a community representative, a Deputy County Executive and one representative each from the cities of Fairfax and Falls Church; unspecified terms.

Purpose: To develop interagency policies and procedures to govern the provision of services to at-risk children and families in the community.

Fairfax-Falls Church Community Services Board

Membership: Sixteen members, including four at-large, one from each

Supervisor District, one each from the cities of Fairfax and Falls Church and one from the Fairfax County Sheriff's Office. Limited to three consecutive full three-year terms.

Purpose: To coordinate, plan and administer mental health, mental retardation and substance abuse programs for the County and the cities of Fairfax



and Falls Church.

Geotechnical Review Board

Membership: Three members and three alternate members. All members are registered engineers specializing in geotechnical engineering and engineering geology nominated by professional organizations and higher education institutions and confirmed by the Board of Supervisors; three-year terms.

Purpose: To review and make recommendations on geotechnical (soils) studies and associated plans submitted to the director of the Department of Public



Works and Environmental Services.

Health Care Advisory Board

Membership: Eleven members, including one representative from each Supervisor District, one at-large citizen appointed by the Board Chairman and one at-large physician; four-year terms.

Purpose: To advise the Board of Supervisors and develop reports and recommendations on a variety of

health issues affecting Fairfax County.

Health Systems Agency Board

Membership: Thirty members, including
10

appointed by the Board of Supervisors, four County residents appointed by the Planning Commission and 12 from other jurisdictions; three-year terms.

Purpose: To improve the quality of health services, both private and public, while restraining increases in health service costs.

History Commission

Membership: Twenty County residents with a demonstrated knowledge and interest in the history of Fairfax County appointed by the Board of Supervisors, including members who have a special interest in history, archaeology, architecture, historic preservation and related disciplines and represent the County's minority communities and each Supervisor District; three-year terms.

Purpose: To advise the Board of Supervisors; encourage public interest in all matters bearing on the history of Fairfax County through a program of exhibits, markers, awards and publications including both print and electronic; and to conduct an ongoing research and documentation program for historic buildings, structures and sites within the County, and list these on the Fairfax County Inventory of Historic Sites.

Human Rights Commission

Membership: Twelve citizen members, appointed at-large; three-year terms.

Purpose: To enforce County ordinances and regulations established to prohibit discrimination against indi-

viduals on the basis of race, sex, color, religion, national origin, marital status, disability or age in housing, public accommodations, employment, private education and credit facilities.

Human Services Council

Membership: Twenty members, including two appointees from each Supervisor District and two at-large; staggered four-year terms.

Purpose: To collaborate with governing and advisory boards of existing human service organizations, to report on the condition and effectiveness of the human services system, to identify and coordinate human services needs



in the community and make recommendations to the Board of Supervisors about human services goals and priorities.

Industrial Development Authority, Fairfax County

Membership: Seven members, County residents appointed at-large; four-year terms.

Purpose: To issue bonds for the purchase of the privately owned 131-bed Commonwealth Doctors Hospital.

Information Technology Policy Advisory Committee

Membership: Sixteen members, including one member appointed by each Supervisor and one representative each from the Fairfax County School Board, Chamber of Commerce, Northern Virginia Technology Council, Federation of Citizens Associations and League of Women



Voters.

Purpose: To provide the Board of Supervisors with a source of objective advice regarding information technology issues.

Juvenile Court Citizen Advisory Council

Membership: Fifteen members maximum, including one representative from each Supervisor District, one at-large member, two Fairfax City representatives and up to two appointees by the Chief Judge of the Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court; two-year terms.

Purpose: To advise and cooperate with the Juvenile Court on all matters affecting the working of the law related



to children, their care and protection, and to domestic relations.

Library Board of Trustees

Membership: Twelve members, including representatives from each Supervisor District, the School Board and Fairfax City and one at-large member; four-year terms. No appointee shall serve more than two consecutive terms.

Purpose: To establish and enact



policies, approve the annual budget for library services to be submitted to the Board of Supervisors and appoint the director of Public Libraries.

McLean Community Center Governing Board

Selected by the citizens of Dranesville Small District #1

Membership: Eleven members, including nine adults with staggered three-year terms and two youths (age



15-17) with one-year terms.

Purpose: To set policy and supervise operations of the McLean Community Center.

Northern Virginia Community College Board

Membership: Nine members, including three from Fairfax County appointed by the Board of Supervisors; four-year terms. Can serve only two full four-year terms.

Purpose: To perform such duties regarding operation of the college as delegated to it by the State Board for Community Colleges.

Northern Virginia Transportation Coordinating Council Citizens Advisory Committee

Membership: Fifty members, including eight from Fairfax County

appointed by the Board of Supervisors; two-year terms.

Purpose: To monitor and coordinate with the Transportation Coordinating Council and the Council's Technical Committee to ensure that a full range of policy viewpoints and opinions are considered, serving as a clearinghouse to bring regional perspective to common local concerns and taking an advocacy role in helping develop



support for regional solutions to transportation priorities.

Organ and Tissue Donation and Transplantation, Commission on

Membership: Nineteen members, including one at-large member appointed by the Chairman, one representative from each Supervisor District, one representative from the religious community, a City of Fairfax representative, one health care professional, one minority community representative, one donor family representative and one tissue transplant representative appointed by the Board; and representatives confirmed by the Board who have been recommended by the Washington Regional Transplant Consortium, the United Network for Organ Sharing and the Virginia Heart Association; four-year terms.

Purpose: To coordinate community resources to promote awareness of organ and tissue donation and transplantation; to educate the community about the



donation process; and to increase the number of County organ and tissue donors.

Park Authority, Fairfax County

Membership: Twelve members, including one member from each Supervisor District and three at-large members; four-year terms.

Purpose: To make policy and serve as board of trustees for the Park Authority, which was created in 1950 to preserve open space and acquire and develop park facilities in Fairfax County. The Park Authority manages more than 18,000 acres in more than 350 parks, serving as resource stewards and recreation providers.

Park Authority, Northern Virginia Regional

Two Fairfax County Representatives

Membership: Twelve members, including two representatives each from Fairfax County, Arlington County, Loudoun County and the cities of Fairfax, Falls Church and Alexandria; four-year terms.

Purpose: To advise on the acquisition, construction, development, operation and maintenance of a system of regional parks in Northern Virginia.

Planning Commission

Membership: Twelve members, including three at-large representatives and one representative from each Supervisor District, including County landowners with knowledge of and experience with community growth and development; four-year terms.

Purpose: To recommend to the Board of Supervisors and/or Board of Zoning Appeals land use policies and plans that will result in orderly balanced and equitable County growth, including recommendations on all changes to the Comprehensive Plan, Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Maps, including rezonings, Public Facilities Manual and Subdivision Ordinance; to promote cooperation between Planning Commissions of the incorporated towns within the County and among Commissions in the metropolitan area; and to approve all public facilities projects.

Planning District Commission, Northern Virginia

Thirteen Fairfax County Representatives

Membership: Thirty-seven members from the Northern Virginia region, including six citizens from Fairfax County and seven members of the Board of Supervisors; three-year terms.

Purpose: To promote more efficient coordination of local government functions that are regional in scope.

Plans Examiner Board, Advisory

Membership: Six members, including three licensed professional engineers or land surveyors (at least one of whom shall be a certified land surveyor), one citizen, a representative from the Virginia Department of Transportation and a representative of the Department of Public Works and Environmental Services (DPWES); staggered four-year terms.

Purpose: To make recommendations to the Board of Supervisors on the operation of a program to expedite certain site and subdivision plans, and to improve the quality of plans being submitted to DPWES.

Police Officers Retirement

System Board of Trustees

Membership: Five members, including two police officers (elected by officers of the Fairfax County Police Department), two at-large members appointed by the Board of Supervisors; and the director of the Dept. of Finance (ex-officio); four-year terms.

Purpose: To administer operation of the retirement system, including fiduciary responsibility for investment of assets, collection of contributions and disbursement of retirement and disability retirement benefits to retirees and/or beneficiaries.

Private Industry Council, Northern Virginia

*Appointed by the County Board of Supervisors
and City Councils*

Membership: Membership includes 12 representatives from Fairfax County and others from all the jurisdictions it serves; four-year terms. Members include representatives of the private sector who are chief executives or other executives with substantial management or policy responsibility. Whenever possible, at least one-half of the private sector representatives shall be from small businesses, including minority businesses. Other members represent education, organized labor, rehabilitation agencies and community-based services.

Purpose: To provide policy guidance and exercise oversight with respect to activities under the Job Training Plan in partnership with the local elected officials, to increase private sector employment opportunities for economically disadvantaged persons, and to increase the involvement of the business community in employment and training



activities.

[Note: Passage of the federal Workforce Investment Act of 1998 eliminates the Private Industry Council effective June 2000 and replaces it with the Local Workforce Investment Board. The new Board will be in place by July 2000.]

Redevelopment and Housing Authority

Membership: Eleven members, including one representative from each Supervisor District and two at-large members; four-year terms.

Purpose: To preserve and increase the amount of low and moderate-income housing for County families, and to assist in the improvement and redevelopment of older, declining areas of the County.

Reston Community Center Governing Board

Nominated by the citizens of Hunter Mill Small Tax District #5

Membership: Eleven members, including nine adults with three-year terms and two youths with one-year terms.

Purpose: To set policy for the Reston Community Center in accordance with the Memorandum of Understanding with Board of Supervisors.

Road Viewers Board

Membership: Five members appointed at-large; one-year terms.

Purpose: To review roads not in the State Secondary System and to make recommendations to the Board of Supervisors on the priorities for upgrading them using available funding.

Route 28 Highway Transportation District Advisory Board

Membership: Twelve members, three each appointed by the Boards of Supervisors of Fairfax and Loudoun Counties and three each selected by landowners within the Route 28 District in these counties; members appointed by the Fairfax County Board must reside in or own land within the portion of the Route 28 District in Fairfax County; four-year terms.

Purpose: To submit annual report to the District Commission on transportation needs of the



District and on Board activities and to present special reports concerning the District tax as requested by the Commission or either Board of Supervisors.

Security Alarm Systems Commission

Membership: Three members, including one citizen, one Police Department representative and one alarm

industry representative; unspecified terms.

Purpose: To periodically review the implementation and effectiveness of the alarm ordinance and make recommendations, as appropriate, to the Board of Supervisors.

Small Business Commission

Membership: Twelve members, including one appointment from each Supervisor district; staggered three-year terms.

Purpose: To advise the Board on policies and initiatives that would promote the economic well-being and development of specific segments of the business community in the County. The commission's primary concerns are small, minority-owned and women-owned businesses.

Social Services Board, Advisory

Membership: Ten members, including a representative of each Supervisor District and one at-large member; four-year terms. No member may serve more than two consecutive terms.

Purpose: To review and make recommendations pertaining to the social welfare of County residents, to monitor the formulation and implementation of social welfare programs, to make recommendations on policy matters, to submit an annual report to the Board of Supervisors concerning the administration of the public welfare program and other reports that the advisory body deems appropriate.

Supplemental Retirement System Board of Trustees

Membership: Ten members, including four trustees appointed by

the Board of Supervisors, one general County and one School employee elected at-large by employees of their group, one retiree elected by the retirees, the director of the Department of Finance, the director of the Department of Human Resources and the benefit services coordinator for Public Schools; four-year terms.

Purpose: To administer operation of



the retirement system, including fiduciary responsibility for investment of assets, collection of contributions and disbursement of retirement and disability retirement benefits to retirees and/or beneficiaries.

Tenant-Landlord Commission

Membership: Ten members, including three tenants, three landlords, three citizens and one member who has experienced a condominium conversion; three-year terms.

Purpose: To advise the Board of Supervisors on tenant matters, provide reports on legislation, educate the public, represent County interests concerning landlord-tenant matters before public and private bodies at the direction of the Board of Supervisors and conduct arbitration of tenant and landlord disputes.

Transportation Advisory Commission

Membership: Eleven members, including one representative from each Supervisor District, one member at large and one member from the Fairfax Area Disability

Services Board; two-year terms.

Purpose: To advise the Board of Supervisors on major transportation issues faced by the County, to provide recommendations on the overall planning and programming of transportation improvements.

Tree Commission

Membership: Fifteen members, including one representative each from the Environmental Quality Advisory Council, Northern Virginia Soil and Water Conservation District, Fairfax County Park Authority, Virginia Department of Extension and Continuing Education, Virginia Department of Forestry and 10 citizens (serving three-year terms) with experience in arboriculture or related fields.

Purpose: To advise the Board of Supervisors on tree



preservation requirements, to assist the Urban Forestry Branch in developing technical specifications and to provide leadership in developing an understanding of the objectives and methods of tree conservation.

Uniformed Retirement System

Membership: Eight members, including three trustees appointed by the Board of Supervisors, three members elected by County employees (firefighters, former Park Police and Sheriff's Office), the director of the Department of Finance and the director of the Department of Human Resources; four-year terms.

Purpose: To administer operation of

the retirement system, including fiduciary responsibility for investment of assets, collection of contributions and disbursement of retirement and disability retirement benefits to retirees and/or beneficiaries.

Upper Occoquan Sewer Authority

Membership: Eight members (plus alternates), two members each to be appointed by governing bodies of Fairfax County, Manassas, Manassas



Park and Prince William County; four-year terms.

Purpose: To acquire, finance, construct, operate and maintain facilities for the abatement of pollution resulting from certain portions of Occoquan Creek.

Volunteer Fire Commission

Membership: Seven members from within the volunteer fire service in Fairfax County. These include: one representative from the Volunteer Fire and Rescue Association, one representative from the Volunteer Chiefs Association, four zone members nominated by the 12 volunteer fire depart-



ments (each zone commissioner represents three volunteer fire departments) and one member at-large; two-year terms.

Purpose: To advise the Board of Supervisors on matters related to the volunteer segment of the Fire and Rescue Department and to work closely with the County Fire Chief to perpetuate volunteerism within the department.

Water Authority

Membership: Ten members, nine representing Supervisor Districts and one at-large member; staggered three-year terms.

Purpose: To coordinate the acquisition, construction, operation and maintenance of an integrated water system in Fairfax County.

Wetlands Board

Membership: Seven members, including five citizens nominated by the Mount Vernon, Springfield and Lee District Supervisors and two at-large members; five-year terms. Members cannot hold any other public office in the County except to be members of the local planning commission, the soil and water conservation board, the local erosion and sediment control review board or the local board of zoning appeals.

Purpose: To carry out the policy, standards, guidelines and procedures necessary for the protection of the County's tidal wetlands, vegetated and nonvegetated, through a permitting system established by the State.

Women, Commission for



Membership: Eleven members, including a representative of each Supervisor District, one member at-large and a member at-large to ensure minority input; three-year terms.

Purpose: To advise the Board of Supervisors on women's concerns and promote equal treatment for women and girls through programs, advocacy and policy.

Youth Basketball Council Advisory Board

Membership: Forty-five members, representing youth sports groups and community centers, confirmed by the Board of Supervisors; one-year terms.

Purpose: To provide advice and assistance to the Department of Community and Recreation Services and other County agencies in matters related to youth basketball in the development, organization, management and operation of the youth basketball league in cooperation with the County.

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